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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

STARRED QUESTIONS

Famine

Expenditure on famine works in Ganjam district from 1908.

*118 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of money that was spent on famine works in the Ganjam district from the year 1908 to 1928; and

(*b*) the total amount spent on famine works in the Goomsur and Chatrapur divisions in the years 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919 and 1920?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member's attention is invited to the reply given to clause (*b*) of question No. 381 which was answered on 18th March 1927. No expenditure has been incurred on famine works in the district subsequent to 18th March 1927.

(*b*) The year 1919 was the only one of those mentioned in which relief works were in being. The hon. Member is referred to G.O. No. 1271, Revenue, dated 9th June 1927 (which has been placed on the Editors' Table) for particulars of the expenditure in that year.

Inland Waterways

Improvements to the Cooum and the Buckingham canal.

*119 *Q.*—Mr. C. S. GOVINDARAJA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) what sum out of the supplemental grant of 1·40 lakhs sanctioned by the Legislative Council in November 1927 for the capital outlay on the scheme for the improvements to the Cooum and the Buckingham canal within the City limits, was actually expended by the Government by the end of 31st March 1928, on (1) plants and tool, (2) on establishments and (3) on other items;

(*b*) whether the work is likely to be finished before the current year, if not, when it is likely to be finished;

(*c*) whether the Government had considered, in connexion with the present improvements scheme, the question of widening and deepening the Buckingham canal from the Senate House bridge to Mylapore or Papanchavadi wooden bridge to afford proper facilities for boats traffic especially during the summer season;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that at present the merchants find it difficult to transport their goods by boats from Papanchavadi to Periyamet in the hot months of the year and that they are obliged to tranship their goods from